TENNESSEE GENERAL ASSEMBLY FISCAL REVIEW COMMITTEE



FISCAL NOTE

HB 1230 - SB 1888

February 23, 2009

SUMMARY OF BILL: Requires 75 percent of all fines and fees derived from citations issued for speeding on the interstate highway system to the Highway Fund, when such citations have been issued by a municipality with a population of 5,000 or less, and the citation was issued within such municipality's jurisdiction.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase State Revenue - Not Significant/Highway Fund Increase State Expenditures - Not Significant

Decrease Local Revenue - Not Significant

Assumptions:

- According to the Department of Safety (DOS), there has only been one municipality with a population of 5,000 or less registered with the Department to issue speeding tickets on the interstate (Coopertown).
- Recently, a Coopertown City Judge dismissed all outstanding traffic citations issued along I-24 by Coopertown Police due to legal issues concerning jurisdiction.
- In January 2009, a Robertson County Circuit Court Judge ruled that Coopertown had not followed proper procedures for regaining the rights necessary for patrolling the interstate.
- According to information received from the Coopertown Police Administration and the Coopertown Mayor's Office, officers are no longer patrolling I-24 and there are no plans to resume patrol of the interstate at this time.
- Any increase to state expenditures, or revenue that would be apportioned to the Highway Fund is considered not significant.
- Any decrease to local government revenue is considered not significant.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

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